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Controller Westly Pays California Schools \$289.6 Million In Lottery Cash

Sacramento, CA – State Controller Steve Westly today issued quarterly payments totaling \$289.6 million to school districts, educational institutions and State agencies from the Lottery Education Fund.

“Lottery proceeds are a welcome source of income for our schools, especially during this time of budget crisis,” Westly said.

Payments to K-12 schools and community colleges are made to the County Treasurer, who distributes money to school districts. Funds for the University of California and Hastings College of Law are sent directly to those institutions. The funds for the State departments are deposited directly in their accounts.

Payments from the funds are made quarterly based on Lottery income and unclaimed on-line prizes.

The money for the quarter ending December 31, 2003, will be distributed as follows:

	<i>Payment</i>
K-12	\$229,231,084
Community Colleges	40,745,785
California State University	11,530,000
University of California	6,826,701
Hastings College of the Law	43,913
Dept. of Youth Authority	114,609
Dept. of Education – State Special Schools	36,154
Dept. of Developmental Services	642,278
Dept. of Mental Health	404,060
Total	<u>\$289,574,584</u>

Detailed quarterly payment data for fiscal year 2003-04 and annual summary data since fiscal year 1985-86 are available on the State Controller's web site at www.sco.ca.gov/ard/payments/lottery/index.shtml

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